IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Appln. No.:	10/810,874)	Confirmation No. 9759
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Applicant(s): Clark et al.)	with the USPTO's EFS-WEB, on this date, December 29, 2006.	
Title:	Center Beam Car with Increased Load Capacity)	
Art Unit:	3617)	
Examiner:	Le, Mark T.)	
Attorney Docket No.: 82652		_)		
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NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES

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Sir:

Applicant(s) hereby appeal(s) to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision of the Primary Examiner dated <u>June 29, 2006</u> rejecting claims <u>1-11</u> and 16-22.

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Respectfully submitted,

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